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ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(benzoyl-2-methylpropyl)-carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate;

and

ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(2-methyl-2-propenyloxy)-methyl-3-methylbutyl] carbamoyl]
oxirane-2-carboxylate.

REMARKS

Applicants have hereinabove amended Claim 36 to delete four compounds from the list of compounds in Claim 36. The four compounds are not included in the compounds of allowed Claim 22. Applicants have also enclosed herewith a copy of Claim 36 as it existed prior to this Amendment with the changes shown in red ink. No new matter has been added in Claim 36.

The payment of the Issue Fee is filed concurrently herewith.

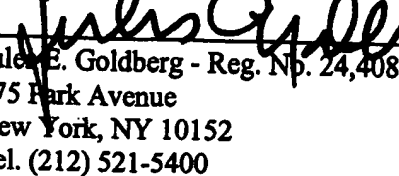
If any other fees are required with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

Accordingly, entry of this Amendment is earnestly solicited.

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36. An epoxysuccinamide derivative selected from the group consisting of the following compounds and its physiologically acceptable salt:

ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-benzoyl-3-methylbutyl]-carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate;

ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(benzoyl-2-methylpropyl)-carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate; *and*

~~ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-benzoylamino)-methyl-3-methylbutyl]-carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate;~~

ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(2-methyl-2-propenyloxy)-methyl-3-methylbutyl] carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate;

~~ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(hexanoylamino)-methyl-3-methylbutyl]-carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate;~~

~~ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(N-benzyl-N-methylamino)-methyl-3-methylbutyl]carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate;~~

~~and,~~

~~ethyl (2S,3S)-3-[[1-(S)-(N-hexyl-N-methylamino)-methyl-3-methylbutyl]-carbamoyl] oxirane-2-carboxylate.~~